

The Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

I urge you to support the "Fair Share Plan" as a solution to current concerns with the Universal Service Fund (USF). The Fair Share Plan will keep the USF equitable, ensuring that all users pay a proportionate share into the USF based on their actual usage appetite.

As you well know, the Keep USF Fair Coalition submitted the Fair Share Plan to the FCC on January 31, 2005. It expands who pays into the USF so that other technologies - not just phones - pay into the system. The Fair Share Plan collects the USF using a combination numbers- and revenue-based plan. This creates a subsidy system that is inherently more equitable and non-discriminatory.

A flat fee or numbers-based plan such as you are now considering clearly biases against low volume or occasional customers, many of whom comprise an income category that can least afford it.

I urge you to keep the USF equitable and adopt the Fair Share Plan.

Thank you

cc: Marlene Dortch, Secretary

Sincerely,

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